

NEW YORK LETTER.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—To-day the heat is very trying. The unhappy Broadway omnibus horses have been dropping down by the dozen, and laborers at work along the wharves and elsewhere out of doors have been compelled to suspend operations till late in the day. The ice creameries and soda fountains meanwhile appear to be coining money, so many are the thirsty souls crowding them, morning, noon and night.

Abraham R. Laurence, Esq., a well-known and wealthy citizen, died, last evening, at his residence in Twenty-third street.

The obituary columns of the evening papers likewise record the deaths of the wife of Brig. Gen. Michael Corcoran, and the wife of Ex-Bishop Silliman L. Ives.

A hurricane of the fiercest kind swept over Westchester county, last evening, about seven o'clock, doing much damage to fruit trees, houses, &c. The wind is said to have traveled in a current, not more than a quarter of a mile wide.

Jersey City is making good progress in procuring voluntary enlistments, so as to escape the draft. Thus far one hundred and ten recruits have been obtained. The quota is four hundred. The bounty paid is equal to eight hundred and sixty-eight dollars for men who have seen service, and four hundred and fifty dollars for "new hands."

Despite the torrid heat there was a full representation of bulls and bears at the Stock Exchange and on the "corners" to-day, with an excitement scarcely ever surpassed. The operations were immense, but under a strong pressure to realize prices were hardly so stiff as yesterday. The speculative feeling, under an easy money market, is very strong.

FROM EUROPE.

The City of Manchester, from Liverpool, has arrived at New York.

Her news is mainly anticipated.

In the House of Lords, on the 23d ult., Lord Palmerston said that the practice of Federal Consuls, in receiving bonds that cargoes of vessels receiving cargoes were not intended for the Confederates, was in violation of international law.

A remonstrance has been made, and the Federals have promised to stop such proceedings, but he feared they had not done so. He hoped a fresh remonstrance would prove more effective. The London Times says in regard to the question of peace: "As the North can only obtain recruits at the cannon's mouth, it is time, indeed, to discuss peace in the Cabinet."

THE COAL TRADE.—The importance of the coal trade has been one of gradual development. Twenty years ago good coal lands on the Lackawanna could be bought at rates varying from \$50 to \$100 per acre. Now they are worth \$500 to \$1,000. The land was held by a class of poverty-stricken farmers, who have in some cases become immensely rich by this advance in value. Most of the coal lands, however, were bought up years ago, and are in the hands of large corporations, such as the Delaware and Hudson, the Pennsylvania Coal Company, and others, some of which own from ten to fifteen thousand acres. A single acre of coal land will yield 10,000 tons.

LOST.—On King st. between Columbus and Washington, a LEATHER PORTMONAIE, containing about \$140. Any one finding it will confer a favor and be amply rewarded by leaving it at No 6, Patrick st.

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Considerable excitement existed in Columbus, Ohio, yesterday afternoon over the tearing down (by an invalid soldier) of a flag on which was inscribed the names of Vollandigham and Pugh. The Democrats commenced gathering, crying for vengeance on the author of the act. Another invalid soldier in the crowd was badly beaten for approving it. All the soldiers in the city were arrested and put in the guardhouse to prevent further disturbance. In the evening a crowd assembled before the door of the store where the flag was hung, and after parading the streets went back to the store and presented the owner with a new flag, which will be hung out again to-day. Further trouble is apprehended.

Advices from off Charleston state that another accident has occurred on the iron-clad Nshant. While condensing water, the steam and boiling water rushed out, scalding terribly seven men, in some instances causing the skin to peel off. During the recent attack upon Fort Wagner, the Nahant had two shots to penetrate her decks, while the stern of the vessel was opened three inches by shot from Fort Wagner.

The Washington Star of this evening says that "Moseby's gang were in full feather, some two hundred strong, on Monday, this side of Fairfax, C. H., picking up every Government wagon going up or down."

THE LATE FIGHT NEAR CULPEPER.

Extract of a Letter from a Cavalry Officer in the Army of the Potomac, dated.

NEAR BRANDY STATION, AUGUST 2, 1863.

Yesterday morning Gen. Buford's command took an early start and crossed the river at Rappahannock Station, after which we had not far to go to find the Confederates, whom we drove to within two and a-half miles of Culpeper, when we met their infantry, and were compelled to fall back. The fighting was severe all day, and during our return the enemy tried hard to get around us, and succeeded in getting on our right flank. The conflict continued till after dark. We had no support of infantry, but this morning have a division of the Ninth Corps. We lost a considerable number of men, and had several officers wounded. The day was so hot that several cases of sun stroke occurred. Lee is at Culpeper, and I presume is willing to have a battle there. I presume it will not be the disposition of Gen. Meade to avoid accommodating him.

RESULTS OF THE N. Y. RIOTS.—One of the New York papers of yesterday contains a three-column list of the claims and the claimants for damages suffered during the recent disgraceful riots in that city. The property destroyed foots up more than a million of dollars, all of which will have to be paid from the county treasury. That is the mere money loss, and not all of it either, for the claims are not all in, and the expenses of suppressing the riot are not included. As to the other sacrifices, we saw a few days ago a list of ninety persons known to have been killed during the four days' saturnalia; and there is reason to believe that large numbers were clandestinely buried by their friends to avoid exposure. Then there is still another list of a hundred and fifty persons under arrest for participation in the robbery, arson and murder which gave such a character to the riots. Add to these catalogues the hundreds who have been obliged to fly to escape the law.

There will be no paper issued to-morrow.

ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE
Job Printing Office,
KING STREET, BETWEEN ROYAL AND PITT.

PROCLAMATION.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
ALEXANDRIA, August 3d, 1863.

The President of the United States having set apart Thursday, the sixth day of August, "to be observed as a day of National Thanksgiving. Praise and Prayer, to render the homage due to the Divine Majesty for the wonderful things he has done in the Nation's behalf, and invoke the influence of His Holy Spirit, to subdue the anger which has produced and so long sustained a civil rebellion; to change the hearts of the insurgents; to guide the counsels of the Government with wisdom adequate to so great a national emergency, and to visit, with tender care and consolation throughout the length and breadth of our land, all those who, through the vicissitudes of marches, voyages, battles and sieges, have been brought to suffer in mind, body or estate; and finally to lead the whole nation through paths of repentance and submission to the Divine Will, back to the perfect enjoyment of Union and fraternal peace."

I have, therefore to request my fellow-citizens to manifest their appreciation of the occasion, as well as their respect for the high authority from whence it emanates, by abstaining from secular employment and an observance of the day as enjoined on us, and that all places of public amusement be closed.

Given under my hand, this 3d day of August, 1863.

C. A. WARE, Mayor.

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INTERNAL REVENUE.

NOTICE.—All persons are hereby notified and required to make out a list or lists of all income, property, goods, wares, and merchandise articles or objects owned by them or of which they have care, or management, subject to duty or tax, together with the amount (if any) due for license, under and in conformity with "an act to provide Internal Revenue to support the Government and pay interest on the public debt," approved, July 1st 1862, and an act amendatory thereof, approved March 3d, 1863, and present the same to me at 160 Prince St., within 15 days from the date hereof.

Sec. 9 imposes a penalty of five hundred dollars, for delivering a false or fraudulent list.

Sec. 11 imposes a penalty of 50 per cent. on the amount of the tax and a forfeiture of \$100 for neglect or refusal to furnish the required list.

JOSIAH MILLARD,

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U. S. Assessor 3d Dis.

THE COPARTNERSHIP between C. P. Wilkins and Joseph Old trading as the firm of Wilkins & Old has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued at the same place, No. 308 King st. under the firm of

WILKINS & HENDRICKSON.

ALEXANDRIA, July 27th, 1863. aug 4--3t*

AUCTION SALE.

ON WEDNESDAY NEXT, 5th inst., will be sold at the dwelling house No. 93 Cameron street (next door to the Theatre building,) HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN FURNITURE, consisting of Mahogany and Marble top Bureaus, Wash Stands, Wardrobes, Bedsteads, Feather Beds, Hair Mattresses, Tables, Chairs, Stoves, and Kitchen utensils, oil cloths, &c. One Walnut Extension Table 4x16 feet. Terms cash. Sale to commence at 9 o'clock, A. M.

PENN & CO., Auctioneers.

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NOTICE.

THE undersigned is running two PACKETS between Alexandria and Georgetown, leaving both places twice a week. All freight intrusted to his care will be carefully and expeditiously delivered. Charges moderate. For freight apply to George Waters, corner of High street and Canal, Georgetown, and in Alexandria, to John Davidson, Theatre building, or Freudenthal and Wilkening No. 5 King street.

SHIRLEY KING.

N. B.—One of my vessels will leave Georgetown on the arrival of every steamer from New York.

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FORDYSENTERY, Diarrhea, Cholera Morbus, Summer Complaint, &c., there is no better remedy than PROF. WUNDRAM'S VEGETABLE ELIXIR. Try it, and be convinced. For sale at the Drug Store of

ISAAC ENTWISLE,

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No. 94 King Street.

HORSE FOR SALE.—A fine large sorrel HORSE, four years old, gentle, and a good trotter—can be used in cart or carriage. Enquire at the Empire House, No. 299 King street.

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